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tion of soiled linen imported for laundry, 312 pieces; vaccination of immigrant children, 7.

Respectfully,

E. ALEXANDER,
Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

Disinfection of Chinese merchandise from the steamship Olympia.

TACOMA, WASH., May 1, 1900.

SIR: I have the honor to inform you that on April 28 I disinfected Chinese merchandise which arrived on the steamship *Olympia* from Hongkong. The merchandise consisted of eggs packed in dirt, lily bulbs, yams, sugar cane, and other articles packed in soil. The packages were all destined for Portland, Oreg.

Respectfully,

F. J. SCHUG,
Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

Crew of steamship San Mateo vaccinated at Los Angeles.

LOS ANGELES, CAL., May 3, 1900.

SIR: I have the honor to inform you that I found it necessary to vaccinate 9 members of the crew of the steamer *San Mateo* which arrived this morning from Nanaimo, British Columbia.

Respectfully,

L. E. COFER,
Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

Smallpox in Washington, D. C.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 11, 1900.

SIR: Since my letter of the 4th instant, relative to the smallpox situation in this District, there have been 3 new cases reported, 1 patient has been discharged cured, and 2 have died. There are, therefore, at the present time 5 cases of smallpox in this District, all confined in the smallpox hospital.

Respectfully,

WM. C. WOODWARD, M. D.,
Health Officer.

Smallpox on the steamship John Oades at Buffalo.

BUFFALO, N. Y., April 9, 1900.

SIR: I have the honor to state for your information, that 2 other seamen have become infected on board steamer *John Oades*, from which seaman John Driscoll was taken on April 27, suffering from smallpox. The boat is still in quarantine under local supervision.

Respectfully,

EUGENE WADDIN,
Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

End of smallpox in Grimes County, Tex.

MAY 7, 1900.

SIR: I have the pleasure to inform you that Grimes County is now free from smallpox, and wish that you would so have it appear in PUBLIC HEALTH REPORTS. * * *

Respectfully,

FRED B. JOHNSTON, M. D.,
Health Officer, Grimes County.